

Absolute Rating Excellent
Improvement Rating Excellent

Number of primary schools with students like ours: 7.
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from excellent to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from good to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A FOUR-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Excellent	Excellent
2002		
2003		
2004		

PERFORMANCE RATING CRITERIA

Student attendance rate	95%
Pupil – Teacher Ratio	19 to 1
Percent of parents attending conferences	89%
Days of professional development in early childhood devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills in working with children less than eight years old	4.3

Type of accreditation

(More than one may apply)

- ☐ Not pursuing accreditation
- ☐ Conducting a self-study
- ☒ State Department of Education
- ☒ Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- ☐ National Association for the Education of Young Children
- ☐ American Montessori Society

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Primary School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,811	N/A	\$5,377	\$5,569
• Prime instructional time	88.8%	Down from 90.5%	89.5%	89.6%
• Student-teacher ratio	19.4 to 1	N/A	18.8 to 1	18.5 to 1
STUDENTS (n=611)				
• Attendance Rate	95.0%	Down from 96.2%	95.6%	95.7%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	96.4%	96.0%	96.2%	96.2%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	6.7%	Up from 4.4%	6.9%	5.9%
TEACHERS (n=42)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	8.0 Days	Up from 6.6	8.0 Days	7.9 Days
• Attendance Rate	95.0%	Down from 95.2%	95.1%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	31.0%	Up from 27.5%	37.9%	40.9%
• Continuing contract teachers	83.3%	Up from 77.5%	82.1%	81.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	88.8%	Up from 84.4%	89.4%	87.4%
• Average teacher salary	\$36,648	Up 9.0%	\$36,150	\$36,605

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Primary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	68.8%	N/A	67.5%	66.3%
• Principal's years at the school	4.0	N/A	4.0	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	89.2%	N/A	94.5%	94.5%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	0.6%	Down from 0.8%	0.5%	0.5%
• Suspended or expelled	6	N/A	0	0
• With disabilities other than speech	5.9%	Up from 2.7%	2.1%	2.6%





PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The 2000-2001 school year was a great one at Batesburg-Leesville Primary School. Our students performed well academically and artistically. A phenomenal 89.7% of our first grade students scored "ready" as measured by the CSAB assessment. Students showed steady gains on the district administered PACT assessment for first and second grade students in language arts and mathematics. Between six and seven hundred parents and friends attended each musical performance given by our K5, first and second grades at the district fine arts center. Student artwork was displayed in the halls and foyers of our school and the fine arts center.

Our teachers worked very hard and much was accomplished. Home visits were made for all K4 and K5 students. The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools renewed our accreditation following an on-site visit. The Peer Review Team found the Primary School to be "a pleasant, dynamic learning place. Dedicated educators work hard to provide a nurturing environment and meaningful experiences for each student. The work of the staff is undergirded by strong support from district administrative personnel and reinforced by the interest and efforts of parents and the community." Our teaching staff has aligned the curriculum to state standards and developed local assessments. Many of our teachers and administrators participated in the South Carolina Reading Initiative. Debbie Collum was elected our Teacher of the Year.

A new kindergarten/PE wing was built during the year. We have moved three K4 and two K5 classrooms to this bright and beautiful area. We look forward to the additional space for effective kindergarten and physical education activities.

The faculty has recognized a need to strengthen the science curriculum. We will strive to do this by implementing a more experiential approach. A high rate of absenteeism and tardiness in both the faculty and student body was evident. We are encouraging a renewed commitment by all parties to make every effort to be present every day. We believe the strengthened bond between the teachers, parents and students will encourage and motivate everyone to be present for instructional experiences.

B-L Primary is a beautiful facility with hard working and compassionate teachers. We encourage you to be involved in the lives of our young students. Be a volunteer. Be a Business Partner. Serve on the PTO or School Improvement Council.
Susie Hendrix

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	94.4	N/A	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	94.4	N/A	
Satisfied with home-school relations	77.8	N/A	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Batesburg-Leesville Primary
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Grades K-2 Primary School

Enrollment: 611 Students

Principal

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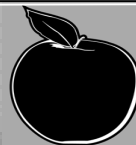


THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Excellent



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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